

RM-11305 is a misguided attempt to correct a crowding problem in the amateur radio voice modes subbands. Instead of simply enlarging the voice subbands to create more room, this proposed rule change would destroy all subbands. Subbands promote self-regulation since operating a voice transmission in the present CW/Digital portion would be an obvious infraction of the rules and easily enforced.

Presently, interference problems between stations is being enforced by the FCC. Although minimum enforcement is taking place because of budget restraints, it has and is making improvements. With this rule change, complete anarchy will occur. Problems with interference between stations will escalate dramatically. It will destroy FCC effectiveness and self-regulation will be completely meaningless.

This rule making is being promoted by a group of amateurs whose wide transmissions are causing a crowding problem in the present subbands. Their solution is to destroy all subbands. It may be easier for them to limit the width of their transmissions.

The answer to this crowding is to enforce signal transmissions which conform to present regulations and to enlarge the voice subband.